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Cluster for adjusting a nuclear reactor core, the specification of which reactivity, absorber rod of the cluster and method for protecting the absorber rod against wear. is attached hereto.

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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